

WILL THEY LIKE TO BE COUNTED?

Ball Moose Confronted by an Embarrassing Situation.

A Primary Election Will Expose Their Weakness.

OLD FASHIONED CONVENTION

Would Upset All Their Theories of Political Propriety.

Old Time Republicans Are Interested in the Outcome.

Will Kansas Progressives hold primary to the selection of delegates to the state convention in Topeka? That is a question of much concern to a number of Republican leaders who see in the possible action of the third party an exposure of inconsistency in the stand for primary action. In order to remain consistent with arguments as affecting the Republican convention, a number of the Bull Moose leaders must seemingly use their efforts to secure county primaries for the selection of delegates. Kansas Progressives will hold their state convention in Topeka May 23. They will select delegates to attend the national Bull Moose convention in Chicago. They will name presidential electoral candidates. They will discuss third party candidates for congress in all of the eight districts of the state. Business will be transacted in a manner that may keep the third party on the track and make it a going concern. Delegates from nearly every county in the state are expected to attend the state convention, third party leaders declare.

Republicans Are Interested. Just the manner in which these delegates will be elected is now a matter of much interest and concern—especially to old line Republicans. When the Republican state convention shall be held in Topeka, the plan for county primaries for the selection of delegates to the state convention, Progressive papers pointed to the fact that the Republican party was progressing backward. When several county committees met and selected delegates to the state and district conventions, the Bull Moose leaders told of the old days when machine politics dominated the state.

Now the Progressives are to hold a state convention of their own. The manner in which they select delegates is a matter of real interest at this time. It is not only a question of being consistent with primary policies, but the question of votes must also be considered.

Right there the Progressives balk. They realize a big slip in their voting strength over two years ago. Many of their leaders and workers are now safely back in the Republican party. The rank and file are seemingly lost interest and enthusiasm has not been apparent for some months. Should the results of the Republican national convention not be satisfactory to the Bull Moose, they might desire to direct a fight in this state. A light vote in the primaries or at the state convention would be a real handicap to future enthusiasm.

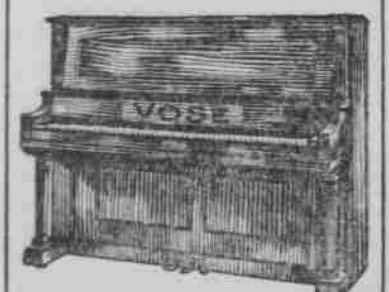
Shy at Test of Strength. Reports from some of the strong Progressive counties of two years ago indicate that the Bull Moose following this year is almost negligible. Of course a test of the strength of the party in a primary would prove or disprove the assertion. But William Allen White, L. S. Martin and the Progressives of 1914 are not hasty in their action of calling a primary. They are quite content to hold a convention composed of delegates selected in almost any manner. They are willing to forget the things that were said when the Republicans voted down a primary plan in January.

Really, the thought of a primary is just at this time quite disheartening to the Progressives who made the fight in 1912 and 1914. It is embarrassing because of the fear concerning the election which may be made in many of the counties and the lack of interest which usually surrounds an uncontested primary.

There is another thing too. Should the Bull Moose call primaries, it is quite certain that opposition parties will publish the vote of the primaries in the various counties. And that is not a happy thought to the men who would prepare for a third party in Kansas if a fight in the November election were really considered expedient.

"Could you lend me a dollar, old man?" "Certainly." "I could do lots of things I have no intention of doing. Nice day, isn't it?"—Judge.

Monarch point at Forbes—Adv.



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Capt. Von der Goltz (left) and Detective Sergeant Brust.

Capt. Von der Goltz, German secret agent and confessed aide to Capt. Votia, was recently brought to this country to confess his share in the plot to invade Canada from the United States. Von der Goltz was captured in England, whither he made his way from the United States on a false passport. He arrived in New York in custody of Detective Sergeant Brust of Scotland Yard.

FOR LAST COURSE TO HIT THE ROAD

Robert Stone Rushed to Banquet Co-operative Club.

He Munched Lunch While Others Ate Turkey.

A dinner with the guest of honor absent, faced the Co-operative club at the Mills building last evening and it was only through the most strenuous efforts that Robert Stone, president of the Rotary club, and guest of honor, arrived in time to deliver the principal address of the evening. It was an important occasion and one that Mr. Stone wouldn't have missed for a conference. Robert Stone sat at his home, entertaining his wives and sweethearts and they didn't spare any expense in doing so.

It happened that the board of directors of Washburn college were to meet last evening and a number of telephone calls from directors, urging Mr. Stone to be present, drove all thoughts of the Co-op dinner from his mind. While the Co-ops were eating turkey, Robert Stone sat at his home munched a light lunch. The telephone rang.

Scene at Stone Household. "You're late," said Dr. Chester B. Reed, toastmaster of the evening. Then an early morning fire scene became the order of the day at the Stone household. Hooks and ladders wouldn't meet and collar buttons wouldn't act right. Finally, they were ready and the Stones made a hurried trip, arriving at the banquet while the last course was in progress.

C. A. Moore, president of the Co-operative club, delivered an address in which he lauded the members of the fair sex present. The first Co-operative club, he stated, was composed of two members, Adam and Eve. This was followed by two solos by Miss Margaret Gohlke, Topeka's well known singer, accompanied by Miss Myrtle Radcliffe. Miss Gohlke's selections were "A Dream," by Bartlett, and "Today and Yesterday," by Strauss.

Talk by Rotary President. Robert Stone spoke of the good fellowship existing between the Co-ops and Rotarians. He urged co-operation as the only means of realizing the ambitions of public improvement desired by the two organizations.

Next came an address by E. G. Foster, compiler of histories, in which he outlined his work and methods of doing it. Mr. Foster's business Greek to most men and his discussion of methods he pursued was interesting to the Co-ops and their wives.

President Moore urged the Co-ops to support the plan for purchase of the Gage statue of Lincoln. A fitting climax for the evening entertainment, Miss Gohlke appeared in the room dressed as a pilgrim and sang, "I'm a Pilgrim." Then she led the band in singing "America." Excellent music was furnished by Hall's orchestra.

EXHIBIT OF ETCHINGS

Federation of Women Plan Display for Lincoln Fund.

The Topeka Federation of Women has announced that they have secured an exhibit of etchings, to be opened April 10th, for the benefit of the Lincoln monument fund. It is perhaps the first time that Topeka has had a collection of the work of so many famous men. Among the foremost artists represented are Whistler, Millet and Pennell. Some of the recent work of Pennell in America will be shown and will also some of Childre Hassan's late etchings. There will be four new lithographs by Birger Sandzen.

The move to purchase a life-sized bronze of Merrill Gage's "Lincoln" has stirred up a good deal of interest among the business men and Topeka in general. The federation has given a number of interesting lectures in support of the fund and the exhibit of graphic art, lately announced, is one of the series. It will be held in the board room in the basement of the high school. The doors will be open every afternoon and evening from April 10th to 15th, inclusive.

Mrs. Katherine Hand, chairman of the art department of the federation, is in charge of the exhibit.

GET ACCLIMATED

Seasoned Infantry Needed in Mexican Campaign.

U. S. Aeroplanes Bird Messengers of the Desert.

HEAT AND BLIZZARD SAME DAY

Mesa Ablaze in Sun, Troopers Freeze in Mountains.

Army Camp Without Tents Awakes Covered With Snow.

At the Front in Mexico, Commanding General's Headquarters, April 1.—(By aeroplane and motor courier to Columbus, N. M., April 4.)—America's first detachment of mountain infantry, a corps of specially trained men for such service as that in the mountain studded country of Guerrero, soon will be actively assisting the cavalry in the search for Villa. The belief has been announced that such a command will prove invaluable in the work confronting the American troops in the Guerrero district.

"Much has been written," said the general, "about this being a cavalry chase. It is just as much an infantry task. There are places in the mountains where the cavalry cannot penetrate—rocks, cliffs, peaks, caves, canyons and forests, where at any time the chase might become a question of a man to man fight. The infantry in Mexico is now being brought into physical condition for this sort of campaign."

Mirage of the Desert.

An aeroplane this afternoon mailed into headquarters camp, stopped five minutes with dispatches and then flew southward toward the mountain pass, 20 miles away, flying over a mesa where the distant mountains were reflected upside down as in water by the afternoon heat waves on the ground. The machine rocked and slipped over the boiling air.

Earlier in the same day from this same area a troop of frozen cavalrymen came into camp for rest and food. They had been caught in a sudden norther. The cold was so biting that they had kept their fingers in motion some of them said, so that in case of attack their trigger fingers would not be too numb for use. Yesterday afternoon in this mesa, a snow was flying so thickly as to obscure the adjoining mountains. Men and horses in headquarters camp stood with their backs to the driving white flakes, the men's heads covered with blankets and the horses with noses sunk almost to the ground. This morning the men in this same camp were sleeping in the open, unable to find themselves covered with a layer of snow.

Snow, a Serious Joke.

They looked across an irrigation ditch at a snow covered landscape. The white with snow. There was not a tent in camp. The tents and abundant food are on the way but thus far the troopers have moved ahead out of each advance camp without waiting for either tents or food. They joked about the snow. The trip which kept their trigger fingers working for warmth spent many hours searching for a mountain top cabin where scouts reported the two Villa beings had called for food. This house was less than 15 miles from the American headquarters. At the house the cavalrymen found only a man of about 80 and a young woman with a baby. The two men who had called for food, were nowhere to be found.

Villa Spies Everywhere. The people of this region give the American troops just as little information as possible. A Carranza soldier who had been condemned to death after capture by Villa at Guerrero and whose life the Americans saved, bailed after leading some cavalrymen on a long trail in search for a suspected house. A sharp order to halt was given and the men immediately returned results. Many of the Mexicans here show undoubted evidence of being Villa spies. Nothing has developed, however, to indicate how these sympathizers will carry their sympathies in action.

The "Frat" boys turned out. Twenty "frat" boys from Washburn college located themselves in the "baldheaded row" at the Orpheum last night and nearly split the welkin in their applause of the Washburn sorority girls presenting the "Fashion Week" display there the first half of the week.

The Washburn belles proved themselves "game" and acted as naturally as though they were out on the campus in their smart new frocks instead of before an interested movie audience.

"That style is in the water" was shown conclusively last night. As for the tired business man—tired of hackneyed vaudeville acts—gazing on the dimples and peach blow complexions of Washburn's "prides," the girls might have worn overalls without his noticing the difference. The girls acquitted themselves perfectly in the tableaux. Stage fright was far away from them. They laughed as easily in pantomime—as they do in college life.

Maine Progressives Meet. Bangor, Me., April 4.—The nomination of delegates to the Progressive national convention was the business before the Progressive state convention today. It was planned that 12 delegates, each with half a vote, should be chosen.

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Deny Steamer Torpedoed.

New York, April 5.—Two American seamen who arrived on the French steamship Espérance from Bordeaux yesterday denied that the Danish bark Claudia on which they were members of the crew was torpedoed by a submarine as stated by the French press. The Claudia sailed March 23 on her way from London, from Jacksonville, Fla. to Liverpool, England.

According to George Cole of St. Louis and Gustave Mendel of New York, the two seamen who arrived here today, the bark's plight resulted from severe weather during which she sprang a leak. The crew was rescued by a French steamer and taken to Bordeaux.

Skirmishes at Saloniki.

Paris, April 4.—A dispatch from Saloniki dated April 4, says that artillery was active along the line of contact of the Bulgarian forces during the day. Small skirmishes took place on the Giegliv front and resulted in the capture of a few German and Bulgarian prisoners by the French.

Will Aid War Widows of Eng. Find Husbands

Pittsburg, April 5.—Thousands of British war widows will be assisted in getting good husbands in the United States and Canada by the Salvation Army in conjunction with the Canadian government, announcement today by Colonel William Evans, in command of the Salvation Army here. The widows are without an adequate matrimonial field. Colonel Evans declares, and many must come to America. In the help they will be introduced to desirable bachelors.

WIRE MEN MEET

Superintendent Horton of W. U. Entertains Local Employees at Dinner.

"I did not have to come to Topeka to know that general business conditions here were good, for our reports from our office here tell me that," said C. B. Horton, superintendent for Kansas of the Western Union Telegraph company, today. He is in Topeka shaking hands with his many business friends and making a general inspection of the service and plant.

Last night at the National hotel, Superintendent Horton gave a dinner to fifteen of the employees of the local office. After what one of the young men who hands up the little yellow envelopes with its message enclosed described as "some big feed" was over, they all retired to the assembly hall in the hotel and there a talk with efficiency as the keynote, was given. During this gathering the interesting fact developed that the company keeps an accurate record of every known mistake which is made in the local office and it is discussed as to cause and effect and how it may be remedied and avoided hereafter.

"The company wants you to fit yourself for something better for they are constantly in need of competent help. If you will it, they are willing and ready to help you in those studies and you will be advanced both in position and wages just as fast as your ability warrants. It's strictly up to the individual in our organization," said Superintendent Horton to the employees.

O. Blandon, commercial manager, Denver, Colo., also was present and was asked to mention some of the mistakes made here on which discussion could be held. "The truth of the matter is I find the Topeka office far ahead of the general run of offices of each state and there is nothing special I would mention," he said.

Those who attended the "big feed" were: C. B. Horton, Omaha, Neb.; O. Blandon, Denver, Colo.; C. E. Cunningham, division solicitor; C. E. Kiehl, chief clerk; J. F. Simonds, chief operator; Archibald Chappelle, John M. Thomas, Miss Margaret Chappelle, Miss Grace Raller, Miss Mae Ann Hook, Miss Anna Van Hook and Walter Kerie. After the banquet, Superintendent Horton was host to the entire party to the movies and fashion show.

HUGHES AND ROOSEVELT

Newspaper Poll Shows They Are Leading G. O. P. Possibilities.

New York, April 5.—The New York American has polled the various states to sound the sentiments among Republicans toward candidates for the presidential nomination. Telegrams were sent to trained political observers in each state, as follows:

"Please wire sentiment Republican presidential nominee. Do Republicans favor Hughes, Roosevelt, or whom? Will they be affected by apparent reconciliation between Roosevelt, Root, Lodge and other straight line Republicans?"

Thirty-four answers were received. They showed a wide division in the ranks of the party. There appears to be mixed sentiment on the surface for Justice Hughes, with a strong undercurrent for Roosevelt. This evidently is held in leash by astute followers of the column and is likely to sweep all opposition to the four winds at the psychological moment. Other candidates for the party are mentioned.

A large majority of the state delegations will go to the national convention at Chicago uncommitted. A few will carry a ballot or two for favorites in fulfillment of the wishes of voters expressed at preferential primaries or of resolutions adopted in state conventions.

HAGGLE ON MINE WAGES

Kentucky Operators Want to Cut Pay; Workers Demand Raise.

Louisville, Ky., April 5.—With both sides strenuously holding their demands, but at the same time maintaining that an amicable settlement will be reached, representatives of 6,000 organizing miners of western Kentucky and the western Kentucky coal operators are in conference here today, to attempt to fix a wage scale for the ensuing year. A previous meeting in March developed a deadlock which was continued in a meeting yesterday.

The miners contend that the justness of their demand for an increase of three cents a ton on the run of mine basis with a five per cent increase on day and dead work is evidenced by recent wage increases north of the Ohio. The operators meet that contention that the southern coal was not in competition with the Kentucky product but with that mined in non-union fields and in furtherance of their demand that the miners stand a 20 per cent horizontal wage reduction, declared they then would be enabled to meet competition, reopen abandoned mines and increase in tonnage.

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